



# Advisory

**To: SOLID WASTE COLLECTION  
VEHICLE OWNERS, FLEETS, FLEET  
OPERATORS AND OTHER  
INTERESTED PARTIES**

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## **ENFORCEMENT OF THE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION VEHICLE RULE BEGINS**

The purpose of this advisory is to inform you that the California Air Resources Board's (ARB) Solid Waste Collection Vehicle rule was adopted in September of 2003 and is now in effect.

As of December 31, 2004, every owner of one or more collection vehicles is required to maintain specified records concerning collection vehicles at each terminal and make these records available upon request to an ARB inspector or authorized agent of the ARB and to maintain labels with specified information on each collection vehicle. In addition, every owner of four or more collection vehicles is to have applied ARB-verified Best Available Control Technology (BACT) to 10 percent of all 1988-2002 model year (MY) engines in collection vehicles by December 31, 2004. Municipalities that own and operate solid waste collection vehicles must also comply with all the foregoing requirements.

Municipalities that contract out for waste collection have two requirements: First, any new contract with an effective date of December 31, 2004, or later must include language stating that the contractor be in compliance with all applicable air pollution control laws. Second, the municipality must submit to ARB an annual report by January 31, 2005, with a listing of its contractors as of the end of 2004, and the following information:

- For each contract, the contractor name, owner name, contact name (if different from owner name), business address, business telephone number, business fax number, contact electronic mail address and the address of each terminal in the municipality jurisdiction that houses collection vehicles serving the municipality.
- Municipality name, address, telephone number, fax number, contact name and electronic mail address.

**Penalties:** Applicable civil penalties under the Health and Safety Code and California Code of Regulations will be assessed for violations.

View the rule at: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/dieselswcv/dieselswcv.htm>. Additional information, including fact sheets and Frequently Asked Questions, is available at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/swcv/swcv.htm>. If you have additional questions please contact ARB's Public Information Office at 1-800-END-SMOG.